Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 17. The currently pending claims after amendment are listed below.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, said multidimensional array object and said array objects being digital data objects storable in addressable data storage locations of a digital data processing device, said method comprising the steps of:

managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing being dynamically alterable at execution time to represent whether it is possible to optimize a said process for elements of said multidimensional array object according to a current execution state of said process, said process being a defined set of instructions executable by said digital data processing device; and

executing a machine code performing said process, said machine code being selected from among a plurality of machine codes performing said process according to a state of said flags.

(Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met.

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1	3. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a multidimensional array object
2	comprising array objects, said method comprising the steps of:
3	managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for
4	elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing whether it is possible to
5	optimize a said process for elements of said multidimensional array object;
6	inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met by execution of said
7	process; and
8	executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags;
9	wherein said predetermined condition is whether a base array of a multidimensional array
10	object is allocated to consecutive memory areas.
1	4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said machine code is either a machine code
2	optimized or a machine code not optimized according to said predetermined condition.
1	5. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2	determining whether said predetermined condition is met when writing to said
3	multidimensional array object.
1	6. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein, further comprising:
2	if said predetermined condition is met when generating said multidimensional array object

setting said flags to a generated multidimensional array object.

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7. (Previously Presented) A method for processing a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, said method comprising the steps of:

managing flags for said multidimensional array object, said flags representing whether it is possible to optimize a process for elements of said multidimensional array object;

executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags; and

if there is possibility of multi-thread processing of said multidimensional array object, generating a machine code for storing on a stack a dummy reference to said multidimensional array during execution of an optimization code.

8. (Currently Amended) A storage medium storing a program for a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, said multidimensional array object and said array objects being digital data objects storable in addressable data storage locations of a computer, wherein said program, when read and executed by said computer, comprises steps of:

managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that being dynamically alterable at execution time to represent whether it is possible to optimize a said process for elements of said multidimensional array object according to a current execution state of said process, said process being a defined set of instructions executable by said computer; and

executing a machine code performing said process, said machine code being selected from among a plurality of machine codes performing said process according to a state of said flags.

9. (Original) The storage medium of claim 8, further comprising: inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met.

Docket No.: JA998-218 Serial No.: 09/490,582 10. (Currently Amended) A storage medium storing a program for a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, wherein said program, when read and executed by a computer, comprises steps of:

managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that it is possible to optimize a said process for elements of said multidimensional array object;
inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met by execution of said process; and
executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags;
wherein said predetermined condition is whether a base array of a multidimensional array object is allocated to consecutive memory areas.
11. (Original) The storage medium of claim 9, wherein said machine code is either a machine code optimized or a machine code not optimized according to said predetermined condition.

12. (Original) The storage medium of claim 9, further comprising:

determining whether said predetermined condition is met when writing to said
multidimensional array object.

13. (Original) The storage medium of claim 9, further comprising:
if said predetermined condition is met when generating said multidimensional array object,
setting said flags to a generated multidimensional array object.

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14. (Previously Presented) A storage medium storing a program for a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, wherein said program, when read and executed by a computer, comprises steps of:

managing flags for said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that it is possible to optimize a process for elements of said multidimensional array object;

executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags; and

if there is possibility of multi-thread processing of said multidimensional array object, generating a machine code for storing on a stack a dummy reference to said multidimensional array during execution of an optimization code.

15. (Currently Amended) A computer for processing a multidimensional array object comprising array objects, said multidimensional array object and said array objects being digital data objects storable in addressable data storage locations of said computer, said computer comprising:

a central processing unit; and

a program, when read and executed by said central processing unit, comprises steps of:
managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for
elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that being dynamically
alterable at execution time to represent whether it is possible to optimize a process for elements of
said multidimensional array object according to a current execution state of said process, said
process being a defined set of instructions executable by said computer, and

executing a machine code performing said process, said machine code being selected from among a plurality of machine codes performing said process according to a state of said flags.

16. (Original) The computer of claim 15, wherein said program further comprises: inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met.

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1	17. (Currently Amended) A computer for processing a multidimensional array object
2	comprising array objects, said computer comprising:
3	a central processing unit; and
4	a program, when read and executed by said central processing unit, comprises steps of
5	managing flags for said multidimensional array object at execution time of a process for
6	elements of said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that it is possible to
7	optimize a said process for elements of said multidimensional array object,
8	inverting said flags when a predetermined condition is no longer met by execution of said
9	process; and
10	executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags;
11	wherein said predetermined condition is whether a base array of a multidimensional array
12	object is allocated to consecutive memory areas.
1	18. (Original) The computer of claim 16, wherein said machine code is either a machine code
2	optimized or a machine code not optimized according to said predetermined condition.
1	19. (Original) The computer of claim 16, wherein said program further comprises:
2	determining whether said predetermined condition is met when writing to said
3	multidimensional array object.
1	20. (Original) The computer of claim 16, wherein said program further comprises:
2	if said predetermined condition is met when generating said multidimensional array object
3	setting said flags to a generated multidimensional array object.

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1	21. (Previously Presented) A computer for processing a multidimensional array object
2	comprising array objects, said computer comprising:
3	a central processing unit; and
4	a program, when read and executed by said central processing unit, comprises steps of:
5	managing flags for said multidimensional array object, said flags representing that it is
6	possible to optimize a process for elements of said multidimensional array object,
7	executing a machine code corresponding to a state of said flags; and
8	if there is possibility of multi-thread processing of said multidimensional array object,
9	generating a machine code for storing on a stack a dummy reference to said multidimensional
10	array during execution of an optimization code.

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